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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Kevin Kocun. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 23 December 2008.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,20 and 21.

Identification of prior art discussed: Hamada (US Pat. 6,425,920 B1); Marnay (US Pat. 5,314,477).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The actuator and its pushing function were discussed. Also, Applicant's representative brought co-pending cases to the examiner's attention. Further search and/or consideration will be required by the examiner upon receipt of claim amendments.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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/Jerry Cumberledge/
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